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5K Fun on Wonder World Extension

Feel the Burn at the Run2Purgatory on July 24

Join the City of San Marcos Parks and Recreation staff and the San Marcos Runners Club for the **Run2Purgatory**, five kilometer fun run and walk on Saturday, July 24, 2010, on the new Wonder World Drive Extension parkway. The event is free to the public.

Registration begins at 7 a.m. at the east end of the parkway at Hunter Road, with the first 250 participants receiving a free, commemorative t-shirt. All participants will glimpse the new roadway with its antique lights, decorative tree wells, concrete monuments and beautiful new surface.

“This is a great opportunity for area residents to get a sneak preview of this tremendous roadway,” said Rodney Cobb, Director of Community Services. “We invite all runners and walkers to brave the July heat and join us for this celebration event.”



Participants will begin the trek at 7:30 a.m. and travel west on the extension, over Purgatory Creek Bridge on a course designed by the San Marcos Runners Club.

Race enthusiasts will enjoy the elevation increase of 250 feet across the 3.2 mile expanse with the specific challenge being the 5.5 percent grade increase at the Wills Bridge.

The Run2Purgatory begins a full day of festivities to celebrate the 6 p.m. opening of the Wonder World Drive Extension from Hunter Road to Ranch Road 12. Following the run, ribbon cutting ceremonies commence at 10 a.m. and include autos from Dick's Classic Car Museum, introduction of dignitaries and dedication of the largest transportation project in the City's history.

Participants may register for the Run2Purgatory on July 24 at 7 a.m. at the registration booth located at the starting line. Prior to the event, entry forms may be obtained at the San Marcos Activity Center, the San Marcos Public Library or at www.sanmarcostx.gov. Completed forms may be brought to the event.

Since this is not a timed event, awards will not be presented. For more information on the Run2Purgatory, call the City of San Marcos Activity Center at 512.393.8280.

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